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Title: <b>DATA PROCESSING METHOD AND DATA READING METHOD</b>	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Office Action mailed August 20, 2009 in the above-referenced patent application. Allowance of the pending claims in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2.

**Remarks** begin on Page 9.